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News

TO8FH Mayotte –update October 17

The propagation is changing on the high bands over the Indian Ocean. We have noticed a drop in propagation for several days, whereas previously there were exceptional openings all day long until very late at night.

On the low bands, however, it is catastrophic from the beginning with a more or less significant noise level and very weak signals. Fortunately, FT8 is there to save the day a little because it would simply be impossible to hear you on CW, particularly on 160 and 80m. Last night for example, the CW operator insisted on 80m but received almost no one. By the way, we read some negative comments on the clusters, which is never pleasant, because you can be sure we would prefer to increase the number of QSOs and not give the impression of being deaf.

<https://www.dx-world.net/to8fh-mayotte/>

W8S –now QRT

A little earlier than expected, W8S is now QRT. The team made 90K QSOs and lots of people happy! Good job, guys.



H40WA Temotu Province –update

It is with a deep sense of regret, that we must inform you that the H40WA Dxpediton cannot go forward as planned from October 26th to November 9th 2023. At this time, we must postpone the Dxpediton and are **tentatively** scheduling a new expedition date for **Feb 22nd 2024 through March 7th 2024**.

A few weeks ago, we reported that all of our equipment was shipped to Honiara, and was to be

transported by vessel onto Temotu. Unfortunately, we have just been informed that the transport ship has yet again been delayed, and our equipment will not make it to Temotu in time for our planned activation date. All other options have been exhausted and we have no other viable options other than to reschedule for the February/March timeframe.

V269 Pulap Atoll OC-155 and V26S Satawal Atoll OC-299 –update by Cezar VE3LYC

'I received some terrible, shocking news from Micronesia. In short, the boat captain who was supposed to transport me to Pulap and Satawal just passed away. He was in his mid-50s. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends and colleagues who are all stunned by such a sudden and untimely loss. As his employers are actively looking to find a replacement, I'll keep the community informed of any changes that may occur in the timeline of this project as a result of this tragic event.' <https://v6iota.weebly.com/>

T2C Tuvalu –update October 17

One of the Expert amplifiers was broken this morning, but thanks to the technical service team (DL7JOM and DL1KWK) it was fixed. See picture of DL6KVA operating with his freshly repaired amp! The team also erected a second 12m upper outer, because they use the same beam and have some RFI problems if two stations operate at the same time.



ZD9W Tristan da Cunha -update

Check out the video of Luis, EA2EYJ who practices extreme QRP and today made a QSO with ZD9W using his Albretch AE2990 walkie talkie, power of two watts and a homemade 1.2m long telescopic antenna!

<https://www.dx-world.net/zd9w-tristan-da-cunha/>

C21TS Nauri –update by Phil

'As I have said before a few times I have big noise problem with streetlights from about UTC 0700 onwards. I'n seeing what can be done but short of finding another QTH probably not a lot. 12m has been really good into EU from around 0400 to 0700 UTC. You will see me stop abruptly at 0700 most nights, that's when it's lights on and lights out for me. The image shows this better. Street lights came on at 0652 and you can see that after that all I hear is JA. 10m is not so bad but openings to EU seem to mostly by my 1AM. Clear bands mostly for me are 10m, 15m and 30m. Will update if I get anywhere with this. I suspect I also have a new noisy solar installation close by.'

CB0ZA Juan Fernandez Island –update

The CB0ZA team is happy to announce a new operator joining our team. Mike Crownover, AD5A is our newest team member. From Texas, along with his son Mike AB5EB, he is excited to participate in this trip along with other team members. An avid IOTA Activator, Contester and DXer, Mike brings experience to our team and we are happy to welcome him aboard.

North America operators will meet December 7-10 in Florida at AD4ES QTH for equipment testing. This is an opportunity where we will be testing the radio equipment and antennas preparing for our upcoming shipment of equipment down to Chile.

5W0LM Samoa –now QRT

After 12 days of activity and 31K QSOs, 5W0LM is now QRT. Thanks to team member 9A3MR for sharing his pictures of the DXpedition.



TX6D French Polynesia –October 15

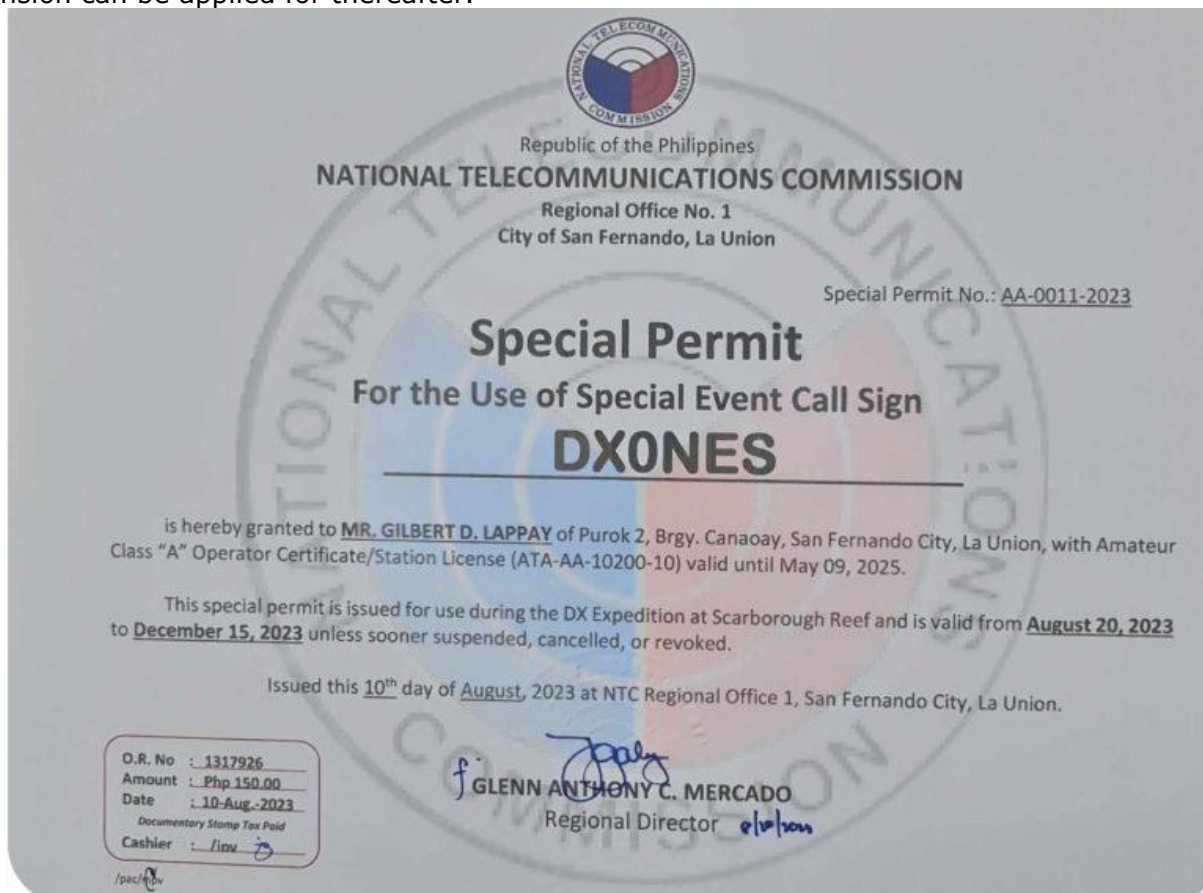
The team depart Papeete Tahiti Faa'a International Airport at 07:40 local so disassembly of the antennas has started. QRT soon. They made over 65K QSOs.



DX0NES Scarborough Shoal –update by Gil 4F2KWT

Gil got in touch to say the DX0NES license has been issued and also sends a picture of an email from ARRL showing approval of the activity.

NOTE: License is issued and valid until December 15, 2023. The intended Scarborough Reef activity is planned for the first half of 2024. Gil clarified to DX-WORLD that a new license or extension can be applied for thereafter.



DXCC

This week on air

This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

5X, UGANDA Anders, SM0HPL is once again operating as 5X7W until October 23. Operation with 5W and a vertical. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. <https://clublog.org/livestream/5x7w>

A2, BOTSWANA The Russian DXpedition Team with Vasily R7AL, Leo RW9JZ, Wlodek SP6EQZ, Vasily RA1ZZ, Slav OK8AU, Victor UA3QLC and Nick R5EC will be QRV as A25RU from October 25 until November 12. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW. <https://www.rudxt.com/a25ru>

A5, BHUTAN Abie, AB1F is operating as A52AA until October 27. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW. <https://www.qrz.com/db/A52AA>

CE0Y, EASTER ISL Luis CE2ML and Mathias CE2LR will be active as 3G0Y (CQWW SSB contest) and XR0Y between October 22-29. Operation on HF using mainly CW and SSB with some FT8. QSL for both calls via CE2ML.

CT9, MADEIRA Helmut, DF7EE will once again be QRV as CT9/call and CQ3W between October 22 and October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB is included as CQ3W. QSL for both calls via Club LoG.

E5, NORTH COOK ISL Janusz, SP9FIH is active as E51JAN from Manihiki (OC-014) until November 6. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. <https://e5n.dxpeditons.org/>

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM are operating as E6AM until October 27. Activity from 160

to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

FG, GUADELOUPE Look once again for Philippe F1DUZ as FG4KH until November 7. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included. QSL via home call and LoTW.

FH, MAYOTTE The F6KOP team is operating as TO8FH until October 22. 12 Operators will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter and QO-100. <https://to8fh.wordpress.com/>

FS, ST MARTIN Well known DXpeditioner Vlad UA4WHX is QRV for a few days as FS/AC4LN. Active from Marco's FS4WBS shack.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is once again operating on HF using CW with some FT8. QRV until end October. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

On the scene...E6AM



JD1, OGASAWARA Look for JD1BQP from Chichijima between October 26 and November 2. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included, outside the contest active from 160 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call direct.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.

PZ, SURINAME Renato, PY8WW will be active as PZ5TW between October 25 and November 3. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

T2, TUVALU The German Dxpedition Team is operating as T2C until October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW.

[Dxpedition Tuvalu T2C – 2023 – Welcome \(mydx.de\)](https://mydx.de/)

T32, EAST KIRIBATI Ken, KH6QJ is once again operating as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge until October 24. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

V6, MICRONESIA The Yokohama DX Club will be QRV as V6SX from Chuuk between October 23 and October 31. This to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the club's founding. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included as V6Y.

VP2M, MONTSEERRAT George, K2DM will be QRV as VP2MDM between October 25-30. Operation mainly during the CQWW SSB contest. Outside the contest on HF using CQ and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS A team with K4QPL, KU4V, NR4O and WK3T will be QRV as VP5M during the CQWW SSB contest at the end of this month. Before / after the contest look for them as VP5/homecalls. QSL via LoTW.

VP9, BERMUDA Hans DL1AOB and Dieter DL1AWD are now operating as VP9/calls. Hans is active on CW and Dieter on FT8. Length of stay is unknown. QSL via homecalls.

XT, BURKINA FASO Harald, DF2WO is once again operating as XT2AW until October 26. Activity on 10 and 6 meter so far using FT8, plans are to use all bands and all modes later. QSL via M0OXO.

On the scene...E51JAN Manihiki Atoll, a coconut antenna



YJ, VANUATU A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila from October 26 until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. <https://www.dxobsessed.org/>

YJ, VANUATU Chris, VK2YUS will once again be active as YJ0CA between October 22 and November 5. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA Yuris YL2GM is operating as ZD9W until October 22. A solo activity, you can find out full details including bands and modes by visiting the ZD9W [page](#). DX-World will also regularly update on this activity once it begins.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Rich, NN3W will be operating as ZF2RD between October 24-31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included as ZF2B. Outside the contest Rich is found on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Holger, ZL3IO will be operating as ZL7IO from October 25 until after the CQWW DX SSB contest. QSL via DK7AO, LoTW, Club Log.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Jacek, SP5EAQ is planning an one man operation as ZL7/call starting on October 20 for 2 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured. <http://chathams.sp7dqr.pl/>

Coming up soon

FM, MARTINIQUE FM5BH, FM5FJ, F5VHJ and M0MHQ (JA0JHQ) will be active from Martinique as TO5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29, 2023). QRV in M/2 Category. QSL: USA SASE via WA6WPG. Others via F5VHJ, LoTW, OQRS, REF Bureau.

TJ, CAMEROON The MDXC DXpedition team will be operating as TJ9MD during November 2 and November 15. The 13 skilled operators of the expeditionary team IZ8CCW, IZ2GNQ, F6IRA, OK2WX, AG4W, DL8JJ, IZ4COW, IU3PMA, HB9DHG, HB9TOC, ON7RN, IK5BOH and IZ4UEZ will be QRV round the clock from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. EME will be tried also. More to follow.

V6, MICRONESIA Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

IOTA

This week on air

ASIA

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JI3DST is QRV until December 19. He will operate SSB and CW as JS6RRR, JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 and JR8YLY/6 as well as JI3DST/p, JJ5RBH/p and JR8YLY/p on FT8. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

EUROPE

Road trip by Chris OE6CUD

EU-033 Vesteraleen

EU-046 Senja

EU-055 Vaeroy

EU-076 Lofoten

Look for Chris from these islands until end October. Operation as LA/call on HF and QO-100. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

EU-067 Santorini Isl Frank, PH2M is active in 'holiday-style' as SV8/call until October 20. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using FT8. Log upload via Club Log. QSL via home call, LoTW.

EU-128 Fehmarn Isl Volker is operating as DL1WH/p in 'holiday-style' until October 29. QSL via bureau or direct.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Yuri, VE3DZ will be QRV as HQ9A between October 19 and October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest Yuri will be on HF all bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

OCEANIA

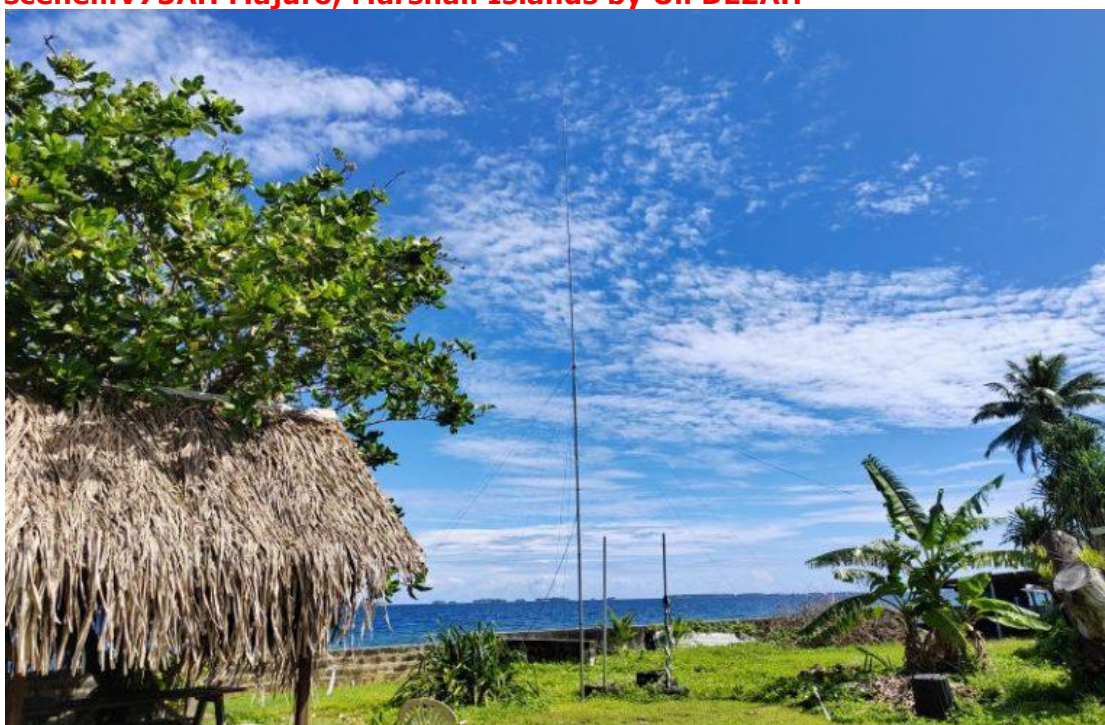
OC-042 Luzon Isl Mike, W6QT is active as DU3/call until end January 2024. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digi.

OC-186 Maniawakan Isl Gianpi, IK1TTD is operating in 'holiday-style' as YB2/call until October 22. Operation mainly on 20 meter. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

<http://www.ik1tttd.it/2023/09/it-is-time-to-travel-again.html>

OC-195 Deal Isl Through his work, John VK1POR is now active from Deal island (Furneaux Islands) OC-195 until December 1. He uses an IC-7300 and prefers digimodes. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, QRZ.

On the scene...V73AH Majuro, Marshall Islands by Uli DL2AH



Coming up soon

OCEANIA

OC-155 Polap Atoll

OC-299 Satawal Atoll

Cezar, VE3LYC will be active as V62P from Pulap Atoll (OC-155) from November 1 until November 7, and as V62S from Satawal Atoll (OC-299) on November 9-16. Johan, PA3EXX will be the pilot station: Cezar will be unable to check his personal email account, so "those who wish to make a report or inform me of various issues" should send their messages to [willemsen\[@\]multiweb.nl](mailto:willemsen[@]multiweb.nl). Donations to help offset the costs of this complex and expensive project are gratefully accepted: <https://v6iota.weebly.com/>

ANTARCTIC BASES

Vernadsky Research Base Serhiy, UW5EHR is now active as **EM1U** from Vernadsky Research Base, Antarctica. Briefly he was QRV as **VP8/UW5EHR**, but now uses the correct callsign.

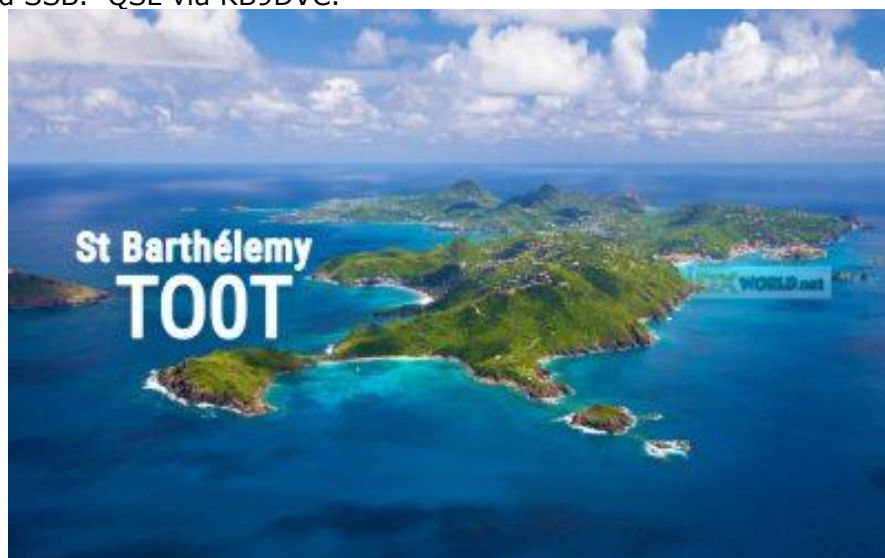


ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY Look for TOOT (KB9DVB, KB9DVC and KC9SNM) between November 22-29. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Outside the contest they will operate as FJ/calls on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via KB9DVC.



VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL A team with K2KW, KD4D, AG9A and W9RE will be QRV as VP2VMM from Anegada between December 4 and December 12. An entry in the ARRL 10m contest is included. Outside the contest they will sign as VP2V/calls. QSL for VP2VMM via KU9C and LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

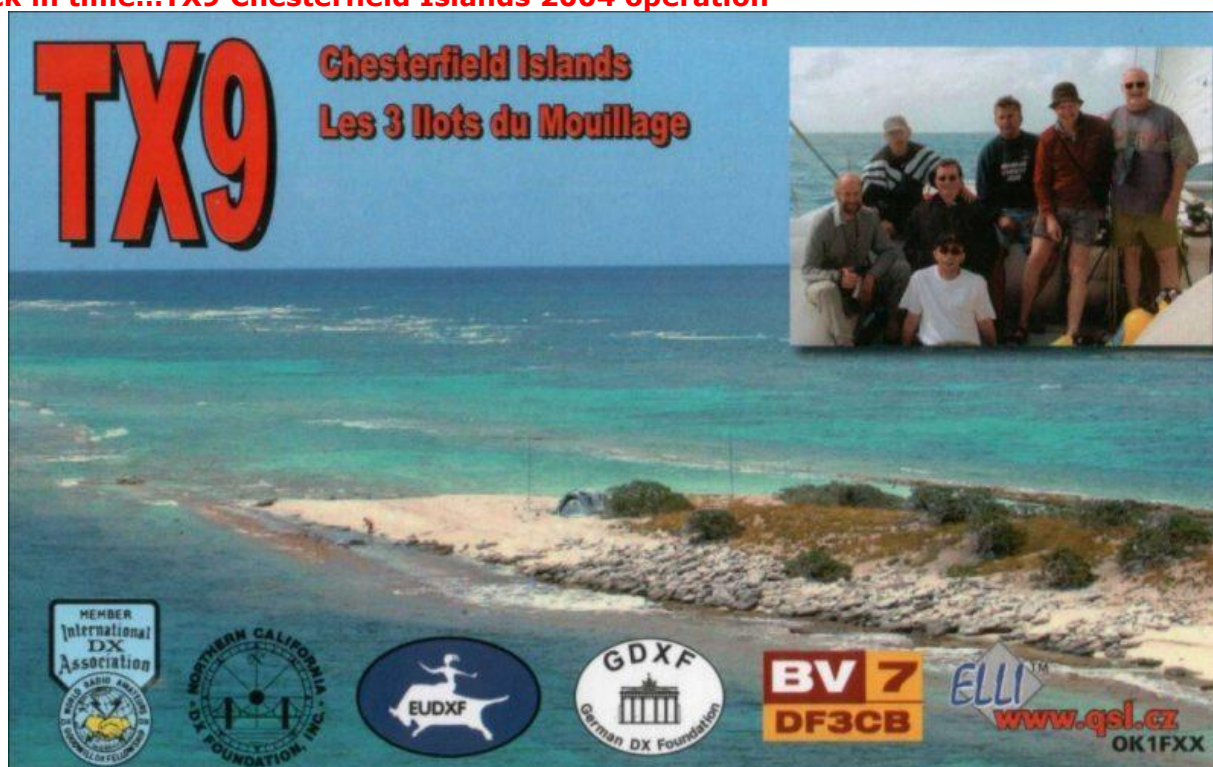
3B8, MAURITIUS David, OK6DJ will be operating as 3B8/call between February 20 and February 27, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and FT8 using a vertical and dipole antenna. QSL via home call, LoTW, OQRS.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu, M0CFW (JK3GAD) will once again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Activity before/after contest (November 19 to December 1) as 3B9/M0CFW. QSL via LoTW.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Ivan, IK3ZAQ and Luca IV3JVJ will be QRV as 3B9AT between December 7 and January 6, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IV3JVJ, LoTW.

4W, TIMOR LESTE A large team of 20+ operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. 4W8X will have a 80m 4-Square (controller and cables sponsored by DXEngineering, many thanks). 160m will use a well-proven Titanex V160 Vertical with extensive Radials. Both antennas as close to the ocean as possible. For Receiving, we'll have two Beverages (~250m long) plus filtering/switching network to listen in four directions, independently on 160m and 80m: Europe (short path), North America (short path) Africa, same as North America (long path), South America, same as Europe (long path) 4W8X will also have two 40m 4-Squares and two 30m 4-Squares, TNX to DXEngineering. We'll not only have the equipment, we'll also have the right operators to make the best out of it. Low Band captain is Dietmar, DL3DXX. And we have quite some other Low Band freaks in the team.

Back in time...TX9 Chesterfield Islands 2004 operation



5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU will be back as 5H3MB from November 8 until December 8. He will work as a volunteer at the Ikelu hospital. Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call bureau or direct, LoTW.

5N, NIGERIA The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

5X, UGANDA Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow.

7P, LESOTHO The EIDXG team will after the success of 9N7EI, 7Q7EI, 5V7EI and V26EI now be operating as 7P8EI in early 2024. A team of 15 will be QRV from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via

M00XO. More to follow.

8R, GUYANA "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M00XO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". <https://8r-2024.com/>

9L, SIERRA LEONE Shabu, M0KRI will be operating as 9L5M from November 23 until December 6. Activity from 80 to 6 meter, QO100 SAT using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via G3SVK, LoTW and Club Log.

9U, BURUNDI Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

C6, BAHAMAS Jay, WA1JAY will be operating as call/C6A between November 5-10 from Paradise Island. Activity from 40 to 10 meter on FM, SATS, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW or Club Log.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK, Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Mike AD5A, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. <http://cb0za.com/>

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.



E6, NIUE Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF and 6 meter using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

FH, MAYOTTE Marek, FH4VVK will be operating as TO4VV during March 29-31, April 5-7, April 12-14 and April 20-21, 2024. Operation using SSB and FT8. QSL direct, LoTW or Club Log.

FOO, AUSTRAL ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G between March 25 and April 3, 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW. <https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/>

FOO, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci

HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. <https://clip.pdxq.net/>

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS.

FS, ST MARTIN Philip, K0CD will be QRV s FS/call during the CQWW CW contest. Perhaps he might be active a few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call.

FT/G GLORIOSO ISL Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Gloriosos Islands as FT4GL later this year. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

FT/X, KERGUELEN It's apparently no secret that Thierry F6CUK of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. Wait and see for more..

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

FS, ST MARTIN The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Log, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. <https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm>

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Jacky ZL3CW will be operating as FW2CW during November 20-30. It's a CW only operation with focus on the WARC bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

H4, SOLOMON ISL A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. <http://www.h44wa.com/>



H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next Dxpediton to Temotu Province as H40WA between February 22 and March 7, 2024. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. [Temotu 2023 Dxpediton – Intrepid DX Group \(intrepid-dx.com\)](https://intrepid-dx.com/)

J3, GRENADA A team of Belgian low band DXers with Franky ON7RU, Marc ON4MA, Marc ON6CC, Pascal ONRA, Patrick ON4HIL and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during March 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow.

J6, ST LUCIA A team with J68HZ, J69DS, WA4PGM and W0CN will be active as J62K during the CQWW SSB contest (October 28-29). QSL via K9HZ.

J7, DOMINICA Laurent, FM5BH will once again be QRV as J79BH between January 17 and January 24. Activity from 160 to 40 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log. At the same time, David F8AAN will be joining Laurent as J79AN. QSL via Club Log.

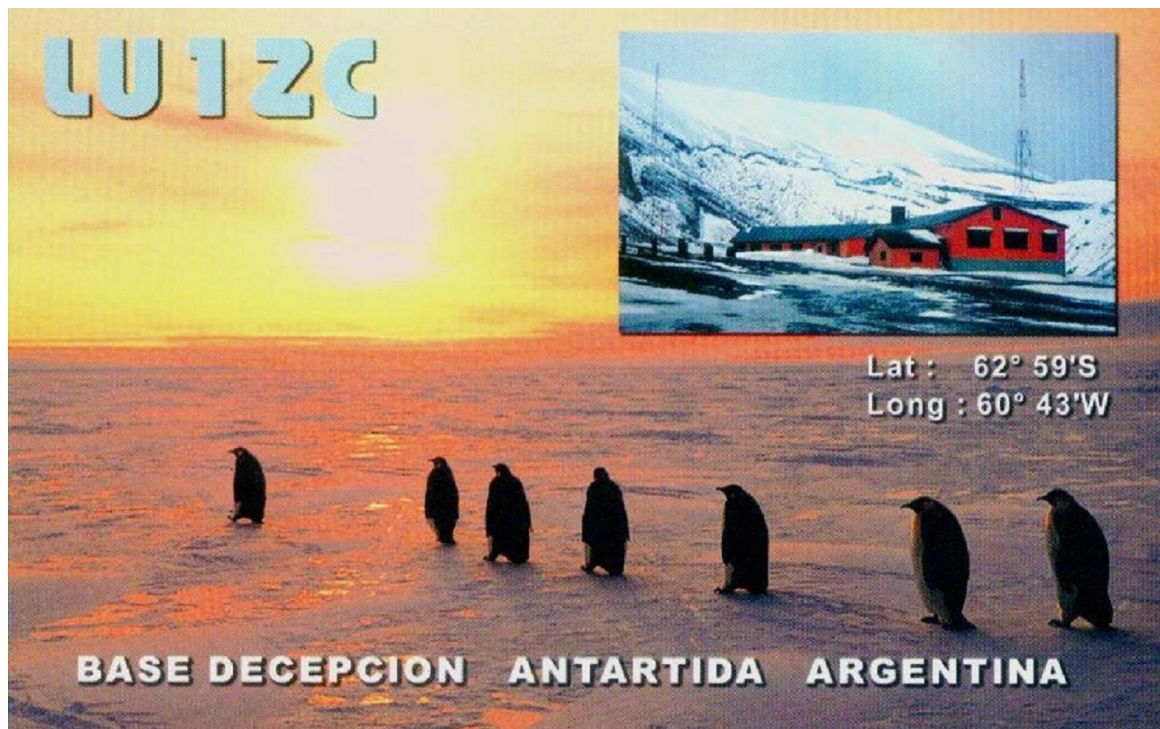
J8, ST VINCENT Gert, PA2LO will once again be QRV as J8TT between December 26 and January 5. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

OX, GREENLAND Look for the OX7A crew from Black Ridge, Kangerlussuaq between November 21 and November 28. Operation on HF using SSB, CW and digi. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as OX7AM.

PJ4, BONAIRE PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/N8VW and PJ4/K3MD will be active during November 21-28. An entry in the CQWW CW contest (Nov 25-26) as PJ4A is included. QSL: PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI & PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. Others via homecalls.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be QRV as PJ7AA between March 2 and March 10, 2024. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.



PY0T, TRINDADE Fabio PY1ZV, Stephano PT2IC and Breto PY6RT will be QRV as PR0T for about 3 days sometime November 2023. The on-site team (PY1ZV, PT2IC and PY6RT) will operate SSB and CW from the main camp; the FT8 station, located 300-400m away, will be operated remotely by ten other amateurs. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. <http://www.pr0t.com.br/home/>

S7, SEYCHELLES A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

T8, PALAU A JA team with JH6WDG (as T88AQ), JA6KYU (as T88HS), JR6DRH (as T88RH) and JA6EGL (as T88SM) will be active from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau during January 12-18, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via operators instructions.

T8, PALAU Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be QRV as T88PB during November 10-13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the JIDX contest is included. QSL via home call.

TY, BENIN Gerard F5NVF, Abdel 7X2TT and Luc F5RAV will be active as TY5C from Cotonou during March 2024. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. They are looking for support for the local radio club TY0HQ.

V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS Jeff, K1ZN (author of Nifty E-Z Guide to Adventures in DXing) will be active as V4/call during February 25 and March 4. Operation on various bands. QSL via home call.

V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS Bob, WX4G will be active as V47RB between November 20 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as V48A. Operation outside the contest from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

V5, NAMIBIA Gunter DK2WH will be active as V51WH from November 16 until April 2024. QTH

near Omaruru. Operation from 160 to 10 meter, 60 also included. During contests look for Gunter as V55Y.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING A team with JA3GEP, JH6RTO, JA1COU and JI1LET will be active as VK9QO between November 3 and November 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Sat operation QO-100 and GreenCube. QSL via JI1LET, Sat QSL via JA3GEP.



VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023. *'VK9XGM will be running two separate stations. How we divide our activity between CW, SSB and FT4/8 will depend on a number of factors including conditions, QSO balances and operator fatigue!'*

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Thaire, W2APF will once again be active as VP2MDX between January 11 and April 11, 2024. Operation on HF using BuddiPole portable Hexbeam, Doublet for 30M, End-fed for 40M. QSL via home call, LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

VP9, BERMUDA Darrell, AB2E will once again be QRV as call/VP9 between February 14-19, 2024. Operation primarily in the ARRL DX CW contest. Before and after that from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

XW, LAOS A French team with F4BKV Vincent, F4HAU Diego, F2DX Patrick, F5PTM Pascal and F8AVK Julien will be operating as XW4DX. Activity between November 16 and November 27 with possible an entry in the CQWW CW contest. QRV on HF except 80 and 30 meter. Focus will be 160 and 40 meter. QSL via F4BKV, bureau or direct, Club Log, LoTW.

<https://xw4dx.f4bkv.net/>

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

ZC4, CYPRUS SBA Dates still to be firmed up, however Martin MW0BRO will be active from Cyprus Sovereign Base Area as ZC4GW next March or April. Martin's main mode of operation is CW. QSL via home call.

ZD7, ST HELENA Chris HB9FIY will once again be active as ZD7CA for a few weeks in December 2023 / January 2024. He asks what are the most wanted bands /modes from ZD7. QSL via EA5GL.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL A team with JF1OCQ, JA1SVP and JE1SYN will be active as ZL7A during November 9-22. Active from 160 to 6 meter + SAT IO-117 (430mHz). Equipment: 3 x transceivers, verticals and dipoles for HF. 4 element beam for 50mHz. Modes: SSB, CW, FT (F/H, MSHV), FM. QSL via JF1OCQ (direct).



IOTA

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Alex, K6VHF will once again be active as call/HR9 between November 21-28. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW.

OCEANIA

OC-011 Chuuk Isl A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

F, FRANCE The Radio Club de Wingles (F4KLR) will be active as **TM125ED** between 4 November and 31 December. The special callsign commemorates the 125th anniversary since radio pioneer Eugene Ducretet gave a public demonstration of wireless communication between the Eiffel Tower and the Pantheon 4 km away (5 November 1898). All CW and SSB QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL, FT8 QSOs will be confirmed via eQSL only; direct cards via F4KLR. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Members of ARI Roma (IQ0RM) will operate special event station **IIOMKFR** from Maker Faire Rome - The European Edition on 20-22 October. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Dutch members of the European DX Foundation will operate special callsigns **PA37EUDXF, PB37EUDXF, PC37EUDXF, PD37EUDXF, PE37EUDXF, PF37EUDXF, PG37EUDXF, PH37EUDXF** and **PI37EUDXF** between 1 and 30 November to celebrate the EUDXF's 37th anniversary. QSL PH37EUDXF via PA2TMS; QSL other callsigns via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via PA1AW. (TNX 425DX)

THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO Operators from Monaco will be active with the callsign **3A70ARM** to celebrate the 70th anniversary of their national ham radio organisation during October. QSL via bureau. The recently active callsigns 3A2CB and 3A2LE were both pirates. (TNX DXNL)

9A, CROATIA **9A66AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Radio amateurs from Rostock celebrate the 125th anniversary of the lighthouse Warnemuende with the callsign **DQ125LH** (special DOK 125LH) until the end of October. QSL via bureau, direct, DCL, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY DARC Team SES will be active as **DL110RG** from 1 September to 31 December for the 100th anniversary of the German Life Saving Association (Deutsche Lebens-Rettungs-Gesellschaft, the largest voluntary water rescue organization in the world), and as **DL75BRD** from 1 September to 30 June 2024 for the 75th anniversary since the Basic Law for the Federal Republic of Germany (Grundgesetz fuer die Bundesrepublik Deutschland) came into effect (23 May 1949). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)

EI, IRELAND Between 1 September and 31 August 2024 **EI4FOTA** will be active from all around Ireland - including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway - which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-007). (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Once again the Radio Club de Nice will be active as **TM8AB** to commemorate the anniversary of the first transatlantic amateur two-way contact between Leon Deloy, F8AB and Fred Schnell, 1MO (28 November 1923). Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and SSTV during the weekends between 28 October and 10 December. QSL via F4KJQ. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Special callsigns to be active at various times during the 2023 Rugby World Cup hosted by France from 8 September to 28 October include **TM23RBY** (QSL via F8EFU and LoTW), **TM23RUGB** (QSL via F5KHG), and **TM63RWC** (QSL via F4KLW). (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Members of ARI Pordenone and ARI Belluno will be active as **II3RDV** on 1-31 October. The special callsign memorializes the 60th anniversary of the Vajont Dam disaster (9 October 1963, when a massive landslide plunged into the reservoir, causing a 250-metre high megatsunami that killed some 2000 people). QSL via IV3EHH. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Celebrating the centenary of the National Park of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise, special callsign **II6PN** will be in use between 1 August and 31 October, with main activity expected to take place on 1-17 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via IK6IHU. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:

October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931)

November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)

December: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931)

For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available. (TNX DXNL)

LA, NORWAY LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX)

LX, LUXEMBOURG LX90RTL is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July until the end of the year. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX)

LX, LUXEMBOURG Look for **LX9S** during the 66th JOTA on October 20-22. For the 6th time HB9S will be active from the World Scout Bureau Global Support Centre in Luxembourg. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi by a large scout team. QSL via LoTW or bureau.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/LX9S>

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ288MS** (October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary during 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM The ONZ Oostkust Radioclub (ON6HC) will be active on all bands and modes as **OR79CLM** between 13 October and 12 November, with main operations taking place on 3-5 November. The special callsign's suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM OQ95RCL is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see <https://hamlog.online/club/rcf/713> (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign PA85TP during 2023 and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (pd5enj@msn.com). (TNX DXNL)

SM, SWEDEN 8S80AA is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on <https://www.sk5aa.se/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)

TA, TURKEY Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100**, **TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA Operated by a number of YL operators in Tasmania (VK7) and around the rest of Australia, special callsign **VI7ALARA** is active on the HF bands until 8 November to mark the Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Association's meet (<http://www.alara.org.au/>) to be held in Hobart. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VK100ZL celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV until the end of 2023.

VK, AUSTRALIA VI100MB is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until 25 February 2024. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA "Amateur Radio", the official journal of the Wireless Institute of Australia, will reach 90 years of continuous publication in October. To mark this milestone, the WIA has obtained the special event call sign **VK90AR** for use until 31 December by any member of the WIA as well as any affiliated club. QSL via LoTW and M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI10VKFF is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (<https://www.wwffaustalia.com/>). It will be

used from Australian Parks until end 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VU, INDIA Look for **AT30IIH** to be active until 31 December to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Indian Institute of Hams, whose focus is to train and bring young people into the amateur radio community (<https://www.indianhams.com/>). QSL via the bureau or direct, or via eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

XE, MEXICO 6E0G is a special event callsign that puts Ghost Towns on the Air until Dec. 17. QSL via XE1EE, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

YU, SERBIA The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75th anniversary with the callsign **YU75SRV** throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND Active from 1 October to 31 May 2024, **ZL6WG** is a special event callsign promoting the 98th NZART annual conference that will be held in Christchurch on 1-2 June next year. QSL via LoTW; paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

<https://hamradio.co.nz/award/>